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C O N F I D E N T I A L LUANDA 1646

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT PINS MILI AO

SUBJECT: MILITARY SITUATION

1. I TALKED ON OCTOBER 24 WITH HIGH COMMISSIONER ADMIRAL CARDOSO ABOUT THE THREAT TO LUANDA POSED BY THE FNLA. HE SAID THAT SAME MORNING MPLA HAD BLOWN THE TWO BRIDGES AT QUIFANGONDO IN ORDER TO BLOCK ANY ATTEMPT BY THE FNLA TO MOVE ON THE CITY. FNLA SPENT THE BETTER PART OF OCTOBER 23, HE ADDED, BOMBARDING MPLA POSITIONS AT QUIFANGONDO.

2. THE ADMIRAL DOES NOT BELIEVE FNLA WILL ATTEMPT TO ENTER LUANDA AT THIS POINT. EVEN IF THEY MANAGE TO CUT OFF BOTH WATER AND POWER, HE SAID, THEY WILL WAIT VIRTUALLY UNTIL THE CITY GIVES UP BEFORE THEY WILL MAKE A MOVE. HE FURTHER BELIEVES THAT FNLA STRATEGY IS TO FIX AS MANY MPLA TROOPS AS POSSIBLE IN AND AROUND LUANDA IN ORDER TO IMPROVE FNLA ODDS ELSEWHERE IN THE COUNTRY.

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3. IN SA DA BANDEIRA, THE ADMIRAL SAID THE FNLA CHIPENDA FORCES  
MOVED ON THAT CITY FROM SERPA PINTO AND HE BELIEVES THEY ARE NOW  
ENGAGED IN CUTTING THE ACCESS ROUTES INTO TOWN.  
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